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<b>Enabling National Language Support</b>	§
<b>of a Database Engine</b>	§

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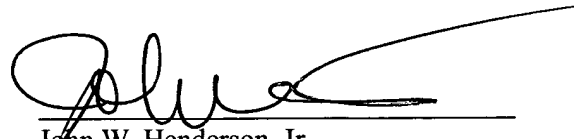
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